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## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 11, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and entry of the present amendment. This response is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee.

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

In the Claims:

05/31/2002 GTRAMMEL 09916483 071916 of 024631115 1-30 without prejudice and enter new claims 31-63 therefor: